

IN THE CLAIMS

The pending claims are as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of video image processing, comprising the steps of:

receiving a video signal carrying input information representing moving images occupying an area of a display; and  
processing the received input information and generating an output video signal carrying output information representing moving images occupying the area of display, wherein said method further comprises the steps of:

re-scaling a section of the moving images represented by the input information occupying a selected section of the area of display independently of parts of the moving images occupying the remainder of the area of display;

including in the output information as much of the information representing the re-scaled section of the moving images, represented by the input signal, as represents a largest part of the re-scaled section of the moving image that would fit substantially within the selected section of the area of display; and

automatically re-scaling the selected section over a number of consecutive frames in a series of moving image frames by operating directly on information representing the series of moving image frames carried by the input video signal.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein said method further comprises the step of:

generating the output information in such a way that the represented largest part is positioned over the selected section of the area of display.

4. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said method further comprises the steps of:

analyzing the input information for the presence of pre-defined image elements; and

defining the selected section to encompass at least some of the image elements found to be present.

5. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the pre-defined image elements comprise text.

6. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the received video signal is a component video signal.

7. (Previously Presented) A video image processing system, specially adapted for carrying out the method as claimed in claim 1.

8. (Previously Presented) A display device specially adapted for carrying out the method as claimed in claim 1.

9. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium embodying a computer program product comprising instructions which, when run on a programmable data processing device, enable the programmable data processing device to carry out the method as claimed in claim 1.